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HOMICIDE 5650 SOUTH PARK AVENUE ***UPDATE – NOVEMBER 2, 2012***

Several arrests have been made in connection with the investigation of a shooting incident, which resulted in the death of 22-year old Javier Bejarano in May of 2011. **With the assistance of investigators from Homeland Security Investigations (HSI)**, detectives from the Tucson Police Department Gang Investigations Unit have worked diligently to identify both the suspect(s) and motive(s) associated to the shooting incident that occurred on the late evening of May 12, 2011. As a result of the investigation, four of the involved individuals were identified, and warrants for their arrest were obtained. On November 1, 2012, each of the four individuals was located, and the warrants were served on them. **Julian Zepeda (25 years of age), Kristin Olea (23 years of age), Michael Ortega (26 years of age), and Moises Fierros (20 years of age) were charged with 1 count of First Degree Murder** for their involvement in the shooting incident that ultimately resulted in the death of Javier Bejarano. They were transported and booked into the Pima County Jail. Photographs of the arrestees are not available at this time due to an on-going investigation.

Sergeant Maria Hawke – November 2, 2012

On May 12, 2011, at approximately 11 p.m., the Tucson Police Department received several 911 calls of shots heard at the apartment complex located at 5650 South Park Avenue. Officers from Operations Division South responded to the area and were on scene within a few minutes of the initial 911 calls. One of the first officers to arrive located a **22-year old male**, suffering from apparent gunshot trauma, in the center parking lot of the complex. He was transported to a local trauma center, where he succumbed to his injuries a few hours later. Next of kin have not yet been notified.

Officers located evidence that the shooting occurred in the north parking lot of the complex, including several parked vehicles with bullet damage. Detectives from the Gang Investigations Unit responded to continue the investigation at the scene. Detectives have determined that witnesses heard an argument or altercation of some kind in the north parking lot immediately

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prior to the shots being fired. The victim made his way on foot from that area to the center parking lot, where he collapsed. A **dark or black sedan** was seen fleeing from the area. The vehicle's involvement, if any, is still under investigation. Detectives are working to develop suspect information, as well as to determine a motive for the shooting.

The Tucson Police Department urges anyone with information about this incident to call **911** or **88-CRIME**.

*****UPDATE*****

The victim has been identified as **22-year old Javier Bejarano**, of Tucson. Next of kin have been notified.

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